

# Principal Stresses and Mohr's Circle for Plane Stress

**Initialization Code** (optional)

**Manipulate**

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Manipulate[

Module[{z},
  z =  $\theta * \text{Pi} / 180$ ;
  If[plotType == "stress section" || plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section" || plotType == "Mohr circle",
    If[angleSelection == "specific plane",
      z = getAngleAtSpecificPlane[specificPlaneAngle,  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ];
       $\theta = z * 180. / \text{Pi}$ 
    ]
  ];

  Text@makeDiagrams[N@ $\sigma_x$ , N@ $\sigma_y$ , N@ $\tau_{xy}$ , z, annotate, onPositiveSideOnly, plotType, limit, gridLines]
],

Grid[{{
  {
    Grid[{
      {Style[Row[{"stresses at 0", Degree}], 12], SpanFromLeft},
      {" $\sigma_x$ ", Control[{{ $\sigma_x$ , 14, ""}, -20, 20, 0.1, ImageSize -> Tiny]}],
      Style[Dynamic@padIt1[ $\sigma_x$ , {3, 1}], 11], Spacer[13]},
      {" $\sigma_y$ ", Control[{{ $\sigma_y$ , 4, ""}, -20, 20, 0.1, ImageSize -> Tiny]}], Style[Dynamic@padIt1[ $\sigma_y$ , {3, 1}], 11]},
      {" $\tau_{xy}$ ", Control[{{ $\tau_{xy}$ , 10, ""}, -20, 20, 0.1, ImageSize -> Tiny]}],
      Style[Dynamic@padIt1[ $\tau_{xy}$ , {3, 1}], 11]},
      {Style[Dynamic@Row[{"matrix", " = ", TraditionalForm[{{
        {padIt1[N[ $\sigma_x$ ], {3, 1}], padIt1[N[ $\tau_{xy}$ ], {3, 1}]},
        {padIt1[N[ $\tau_{xy}$ ], {3, 1}], padIt1[N[ $\sigma_y$ ], {3, 1}]}
      ]}], 11], SpanFromLeft}
    ]}, Spacings -> {.5, .5}, Alignment -> Center, Frame -> True, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thickness[.005], Gray]]
  },
  {
    Grid[{
      {Style["select plot type", 12], SpanFromLeft},
      {
        PopupMenu[Dynamic[plotType],
          { "stress section" -> Style["stress section", 11],
            "Mohr circle" -> Style["Mohr circle", 11],
            "Mohr circle/stress section" -> Style["Mohr circle/stress section", 11],
            "normal stress trajectory" -> Style["normal stress trajectory", 11],
            "shear stress trajectory" -> Style["shear stress trajectory", 11],
            "normal/shear trajectory" -> Style["normal/shear trajectory", 11]
          }, ImageSize -> All, ContinuousAction -> False], SpanFromLeft
        },
      {Row[{Style["annotate", 12], Spacer[1], Checkbox[Dynamic[annotate],
        Enabled -> Dynamic[plotType == "stress section" || plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section"]]}],
        Row[{Style[Column[{"display stresses on", "positive sides only"}, Alignment -> Left], 11], Spacer[1],
          Checkbox[Dynamic[onPositiveSideOnly], Enabled -> Dynamic[
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        plotType == "stress section" || plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section"]]], SpanFromLeft
    }
    }, Spacings -> {.2, .5}, Alignment -> Center,
    Frame -> True, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thickness[.005], Gray]], SpanFromLeft
},
{
Grid[{{
  {Grid[{{
    {Row[{{Style["rotate to new angle", 12]}], SpanFromLeft},

    {RadioButtonBar[Dynamic[angleSelection], {"slider" -> "", "specific plane" -> ""},
      Appearance -> "Vertical", Enabled -> Dynamic[plotType == "stress section" ||
        plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section" || plotType == "Mohr circle"]],
    Grid[{{
      {Row[{{Control[{{θ, 45, ""}, -90, 90, 1, ImageSize -> Tiny, Enabled ->
        Dynamic[(plotType == "stress section" || plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section" ||
          plotType == "Mohr circle") && angleSelection == "slider"]]],
        Spacer[4], Style[Row[{{Dynamic@padIt2s[θ, 3], Degree}], 11]}]],
      {Row[{{
        PopupMenu[Dynamic[specificPlaneAngle],
          {specificPlaneAngle = #; θ = getAngleAtSpecificPlane[specificPlaneAngle, σx, σy, τxy]} &],
          {"first principal plane" -> Style["first principal plane", 11],
            "second principal plane" -> Style["second principal plane", 11],
            "first maximum shear plane" -> Style["first shear plane", 11],
            "second maximum shear plane" -> Style["second shear plane", 11]
          }, ImageSize -> All, Enabled -> Dynamic[(plotType == "stress section" ||
            plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section") && angleSelection == "specific plane"]
        ]
      ]}]]
    }
  }
  ], Spacings -> {.5, .5}, Alignment -> Center, Frame -> None]
  , Spacer[7]
}
,
{Style[Dynamic@Row[{{matrix2, " = ",
  TraditionalForm[{{
    {padIt1[N[1/2 (σx + σy) + 1/2 (σx - σy) Cos[2 (θ * Pi/180)] + τxy Sin[2 (θ * Pi/180) ]], {3, 1}],
    padIt1[N[-1/2 (σx - σy) Sin[2 (θ * Pi/180)] + τxy Cos[2 (θ * Pi/180) ]], {3, 1}]
  }],
    {padIt1[N[-1/2 (σx - σy) Sin[2 (θ * Pi/180)] + τxy Cos[2 (θ * Pi/180) ]], {3, 1}],
    padIt1[N[1/2 (σx + σy) - 1/2 (σx - σy) Cos[2 (θ * Pi/180)] - τxy Sin[2 (θ * Pi/180) ]], {3, 1}]
  }
  ]}], 11]
}], Spacings -> {.5, .5}, Alignment -> Center,
Frame -> True, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thickness[.005], Gray]]
},
{
Grid[{{

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{Grid[{
  {Style["zoom", 12], Spacer[13],
   Control[{{limit, 30, ""}, 5, 50, 0.1, ImageSize → Small]], Spacer[12]],
  {"", Style[Row[{"in", Spacer[75], "out"}], 11], SpanFromLeft}
}, Spacings → {.1, .1},
 Alignment → Center, Frame → True, FrameStyle → Directive[Thickness[.005], Gray]]
},
{Grid[{
  {Style["gridlines", 12], Control[{{gridLines, 0.5, ""}, 0, 1, 0.1, ImageSize → Small]] Spacer[8]],
  {"", Style[Row[{"less", Spacer[70], "more"}], 11]}
}, Spacings → {.1, .1},
 Alignment → Center, Frame → True, FrameStyle → Directive[Thickness[.005], Gray]]
}
], Spacings → {.1, .5}, Alignment → Left, Frame → None
], SpanFromLeft
}

}, Spacings → {.2, .5}, Alignment → Left],

{{annotate, True}, None},
{{plotType, "Mohr circle"}, None},

{{matrix, TraditionalForm[{{σx, τxy}, {τxy, σy}}]}, None},
{{matrix2, TraditionalForm[{{(σ')x, τ'xy}, {τ'xy, (σ')y}}]}, None},

{{onPositiveSideOnly, True}, None},
{{principalPlaneAngle, False}, None},
{{maxShearPlane, False}, None},
{{specificPlaneAngle, "first principal plane"}, None},
{{angleSelection, "slider"}, None},

ControlPlacement → Left,
SynchronousUpdating → False,
SynchronousInitialization → False,
ContinuousAction → True,
Alignment → Center,
ImageMargins → 0,
FrameMargins → 0,
Paneled → True,
Frame → False,
AutorunSequencing → {1},
Initialization →
{
  (*--- constant parameters size and width of display ---*)
  contentSizeW = 425;
  contentSizeH = 425;

  (*-----*)
  (* helper function for formatting *)
  (*-----*)
  padIt2[v_?numeric, f_List] :=
    AccountingForm[Chop[v], f, NumberSigns → {"", ""}, NumberPadding → {"0", "0"}, SignPadding → True];
  padIt2[v_?numeric, f_Integer] := AccountingForm[Chop[v], f, NumberSigns → {"", ""},
    NumberPadding → {"0", "0"}, SignPadding → True];
  padIt2s[v_?numeric, f_Integer] := AccountingForm[Chop[v], f, NumberSigns → {"-", "+"},
    NumberPadding → {"0", "0"}, SignPadding → True];
  padIt1[v_?numeric, f_List] := AccountingForm[Chop[v], f, NumberSigns → {"-", "+"},
    NumberPadding → {"0", "0"}, SignPadding → True];

  (*definitions used for parameter checking*)
  integerStrictPositive = (IntegerQ[#] && # > 0 &);
  integerPositive = (IntegerQ[#] && # ≥ 0 &);

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numericStrictPositive = (Element[#, Reals] && # > 0 &);
numericPositive = (Element[#, Reals] && # ≥ 0 &);
numericStrictNegative = (Element[#, Reals] && # < 0 &);
numericNegative = (Element[#, Reals] && # ≤ 0 &);
bool = (Element[#, Booleans] &);
numeric = (Element[#, Reals] &);
integer = (Element[#, Integers] &);

(*-----*)
makeDiagrams[σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric, θ_?numeric, annotate_?bool, onPositiveSideOnly_?
  bool, plotType_String, limit_?numericStrictPositive, gridLines_?numericPositive] := Module[{},

Which[

  plotType == "stress section", make2DStressDiagram[σx, σy, τxy, θ,
    annotate, onPositiveSideOnly, limit, gridLines, {contentSizeW, contentSizeH}],

  plotType == "Mohr circle", makeMohrCircle[θ, σx, σy, τxy, limit,
    gridLines, {contentSizeW, contentSizeH}, makeMohrCircleTitle[σx, σy, τxy]],

  plotType == "Mohr circle/stress section",
  Grid[{
    {makeMohrCircleTitle[σx, σy, τxy], SpanFromLeft},
    {make2DStressDiagram[σx, σy, τxy, θ, annotate,
      onPositiveSideOnly, limit, gridLines, {0.5 contentSizeW, 0.87 contentSizeH}],
      makeMohrCircle[θ, σx, σy, τxy, limit, gridLines, {0.499 contentSizeW, .87 contentSizeH}, {}]
    }
  }, Spacings → {0, 0}
  ],

  plotType == "normal stress trajectory", makeNormalStressPolarPlot[σx, σy, τxy, limit, gridLines],

  plotType == "shear stress trajectory", makeShearStressPolarPlot[σx, σy, τxy, limit, gridLines],

  plotType == "normal/shear trajectory",
  makeShearAndNormalStressPolarPlot[σx, σy, τxy, limit, gridLines]
  ]
];

(*-----*)
getAngleAtSpecificPlane[specificPlaneAngle_, σx_, σy_, τxy_] :=
N@Which[specificPlaneAngle == "first principal plane", principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy][[1, 2]],
  specificPlaneAngle == "second principal plane", principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy][[2, 2]],
  specificPlaneAngle == "first maximum shear plane", principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy][[1, 2]] + Pi/4,
  specificPlaneAngle == "second maximum shear plane", principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy][[1, 2]] +  $\frac{3}{4}$  Pi
  ];

(*-----*)
(*finds the 2 Principal stresses in plane stress 2D setting*)
principalStresses[σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric] :=
Module[{θp, σ, σ1, σ2, σ1max, r, c, tmp, θ1, θ2},


$$r = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2};$$


$$c = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2};$$

σ1, σ2} = {c + r, c - r};

(*σ1 is the largest stress regardless of sign*)
If[Abs[σ2] > Abs[σ1],
  tmp = σ1;

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σ1 = σ2;
σ2 = tmp
];

If[Abs[σx - σy] ≤ $MachineEpsilon, θp = Pi / 4, θp =  $\frac{\text{ArcTan}\left[\frac{2 \text{Abs}[\tau_{xy}]}{\text{Abs}[\sigma_x - \sigma_y]}\right]}{2}$ ];

If[σ1 > σ2,
  If[τxy > 0, (*below*)
    If[σx > c, {θ1, θ2} = {θp, -(Pi / 2 - θp)}, {θ1, θ2} = {Pi / 2 - θp, -θp}]
    ,
    If[σx > c, {θ1, θ2} = {-θp, (Pi / 2 - θp)}, {θ1, θ2} = {-(Pi / 2 - θp), θp}]
  ]
,
  If[τxy > 0,
    If[σx > c, {θ1, θ2} = {-(Pi / 2 - θp), θp}, {θ1, θ2} = {-θp, Pi / 2 - θp}]
    ,
    If[σx > c, {θ1, θ2} = {(Pi / 2 - θp), -θp}, {θ1, θ2} = {θp, -(Pi / 2 - θp)}]
  ]
];

{{σ1, θ1}, {σ2, θ2}}
];

(*-----*)
(*finds the maximum and minimum shear stresses in plane stress 2D setting*)
maxAndMinShearStress[σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric] := Module[{r},
  r = Sqrt[ $\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2$ ];
  {r, -r}
];

(*-----*)
(*find normal and shear stress for plane at angle theta from normal. plain stress*)
(*use standard stress angle transformation for 2D*)
rotationStress[σx_, σy_, τxy_, θ_] := Module[{σxx, σyy, τ},
  σxx =  $\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y) + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)\cos[2\theta] + \tau_{xy}\sin[2\theta]$ ;
  τ =  $-\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)\sin[2\theta] + \tau_{xy}\cos[2\theta]$ ;
  σyy =  $\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y) - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)\cos[2\theta] - \tau_{xy}\sin[2\theta]$ ;

  {σxx, σyy, τ}
];

(*-----*)
plot[data_List, limit_?numericStrictPositive, gridLines_?numericPositive, color_] :=

ListPolarPlot[data,
  Joined → True,
  AxesOrigin → {0, 0},
  ImageSize → {contentSizeW, contentSizeH},
  ImagePadding → {{20, 10}, {20, 5}},
  ImageMargins → 0,
  AspectRatio → 1,
  Frame → True,
  If[gridLines == 0, GridLines → None, {GridLines →
    {Range[-limit, limit, (2*limit)/(gridLines*20)], Range[-limit, limit, (2*limit)/(gridLines*20)]},
    GridLineStyle → Directive[Thickness[.001], LightGray]
  }],
  PlotRange → {{-limit, limit}, {-limit, limit}},
  PlotStyle → color

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];
(*-----*)
makeArrowForAngle[r_, center_, {{σ1_, θ1_}, {σ2_, θ2_}}, τxy_?numeric] := Module[{phi, tbl, align},

  If[σ1 > σ2,
    If[τxy > 0,
      tbl = Table[{center[[1]] + r/3*Cos[phi], r/3*Sin[phi]}, {phi, -2*θ1, 0, Pi/100}];
      align = {-1, 1}
    ,
      tbl = Table[{center[[1]] + r/3*Cos[phi], r/3*Sin[phi]}, {phi, -2*θ1, 0, -Pi/100}];
      align = {-1, -1}
    ]
  ,
    If[τxy > 0,
      tbl = Table[{center[[1]] + r/3*Cos[phi], r/3*Sin[phi]}, {phi, -(Pi + 2*θ1), -Pi, -Pi/100}];
      align = {1, 1}
    ,
      tbl = Table[{center[[1]] + r/3*Cos[phi], r/3*Sin[phi]}, {phi, (Pi - 2*θ1), Pi, Pi/100}];
      align = {1, -1}
    ]
  ];

  {Text["2θ1", If[Length[tbl] > 1, tbl[[ Round[ Length[tbl] / 2 ]]], First@tbl], align], tbl}
];
(*-----*)
makeMohrCircleTitle[σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric] := Module[{σ1, σ2, θ1, θ2, r, center, ptA},

  {{σ1, θ1}, {σ2, θ2}} = principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy];
  center = { $\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$ , 0};
  ptA = {σx, -τxy};
  r = EuclideanDistance[center, ptA];

  Grid[{
    TraditionalForm[Style[#]] & /@ {"σx", "σy", "τxy", "σ1", "σ2", "τmax", "θ1", "θ2"},
    {padIt1[σx, {4, 1}],
     padIt1[σy, {4, 1}],
     padIt1[τxy, {4, 1}],
     padIt1[σ1, {4, 1}],
     padIt1[σ2, {4, 1}],
     ±padIt2[r, {4, 1}],
     Row[{padIt1[θ1*180/Pi, {4, 1}], Degree]},
     Row[{padIt1[θ2*180/Pi, {4, 1}], Degree]}
  ]
}, Spacings -> {.5, 1}, Frame -> All, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thin]

];
(*-----*)
getRadiusOfCircle[θ_?numeric, σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric] := Sqrt[ $\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2$ ];
(*-----*)
getCurrentStressOnInclined[θ_?numeric,
  σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric] := Module[{σx1, τxy1, σy1},
  σx1 =  $\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} + \left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos[2\theta] + \tau_{xy} \sin[2\theta]\right)$ ;
  τxy1 =  $\left(-\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \sin[2\theta] + \tau_{xy} \cos[2\theta]\right)$ ;
  σy1 =  $\frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} - \left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2} \cos[2\theta] + \tau_{xy} \sin[2\theta]\right)$ ;

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{σx1, σy1, τxy1}
];

(*-----*)
makeMohrCircle[θ_?numeric, σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric,
  τxy_?numeric, limit_?numericStrictPositive, gridLines_?numericPositive,
  {contentSizeW_?numericStrictPositive, contentSizeH_?numericStrictPositive}, plotTitle_] :=
Module[{ptA, ptB, center, σ1, σ2, θ1, θ2, r, z, lst, txt, ptD1, ptD2, σx1, τxy1, σy1},

  {{σ1, θ1}, {σ2, θ2}} = principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy];
  center = { $\frac{\sigma_1 + \sigma_2}{2}$ , 0};
  ptA = {σx, -τxy};
  r = getRadiusOfCircle[θ, σx, σy, τxy];
  {σx1, σy1, τxy1} = getCurrentStressOnInclined[θ, σx, σy, τxy];

  (*Print["in makeMohrCircle, θ=",θ," σx=",σx," σy=",σy," r=",r," cosBeta=",cosBeta,
    " sinBeta=",sinBeta," currentStress=",currentStress," currentShear=",currentShear];*)

  z = σx - First@center;
  ptB = {ptA[[1]] - 2 z, -ptA[[2]]};
  ptD1 = {σx1, -τxy1};
  ptD2 = {σy1, τxy1};

  Graphics[{
    Circle[center, r],

    (*{Text[TraditionalForm[Style["σx, -τxy"], 12]], ptA, If[σx > center[[1]], {-1, 1}, {1, 1}]}], *)
    {Black, PointSize[.02], Point[ptA]},
    {Black, PointSize[.02], Point[center]},

    (*{Text[TraditionalForm[Style["σy, τxy"], 12]], ptB, If[σy > center[[1]], {-1, -1}, {1, -1}]}], *)
    {Black, PointSize[.02], Point[ptB]},
    {Dashed, Line[{ptA, ptB}]},

    Circle[ptD1, .8],
    {Red, Dashed, Line[{ptD1, ptD2}]},
    Circle[ptD2, .8],
    Text[Row[{"(", padIt1[σx1, {4, 1}], ",", padIt1[τxy1, {4, 1}], ")"}],
      ptD1, If[σx1 > center[[1]], {-1, -1}, {1, -1}],
    Text[Row[{"(", padIt1[σy1, {4, 1}], ",", padIt1[τxy1, {4, 1}], ")"}],
      ptD2, If[σy1 > center[[1]], {-1, -1}, {1, -1}],

    {Red, PointSize[.02], Point[{σ1, 0}]},
    {Text[TraditionalForm[Style["σ1", 12]], {σ1, 0}, {-1.5, 1.5}],

    {Red, PointSize[.02], Point[{σ2, 0}]},
    {Text[TraditionalForm[Style["σ2", 12]], {σ2, 0}, {1.2, 1.3}],

    {Blue, PointSize[.02], Point[{center[[1]], r}]},
    {Text[TraditionalForm[Style["τmax", 12]], {center[[1]], r}, {0, -1.5}],

    {Blue, PointSize[.02], Point[{center[[1]], -r}]},
    {Text[TraditionalForm[Style["τmax", 12]], {center[[1]], -r}, {0, 1.5}],

    {Text[Style["tension", 11], {limit, 0}, {1, 3}]},
    {Text[Style["compression", 11], {-limit, 0}, {-1, 3}]}
  ],
  If[gridLines == 0, GridLines → None,
    {GridLines → {Range[-limit, limit, (2 * limit) / (gridLines * 20)], Range[-limit, limit,

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    (2*limit)/(gridLines*20)], GridLinesStyle->Directive[Thickness[.001], LightGray]
  ]],
  PlotRange->{{-limit, limit}, {-limit, limit}},
  Axes->True,
  AxesOrigin->{0, 0},
  TicksStyle->8,
  PlotLabel->If[plotTitle=== {}, "", plotTitle],
  ImageSize->{contentSizeW, contentSizeH},
  ImagePadding->{{20, 10}, {20, 5}}
]

];

(*-----*)
makeShearAndNormalStressPolarPlot[ $\sigma_x$ ?numeric,  $\sigma_y$ ?numeric,
   $\tau_{xy}$ ?numeric, limit?numericStrictPositive, gridLines?numericPositive]:=
Module[{pts,  $\theta$ ,  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\sigma_2$ ,  $\sigma_1$ Abs,  $\sigma_2$ Abs,  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$ , p1, p2, p3, p4, plotTitle, coord1, coord2,  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ },

  pts = Table[{rotationStress[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ,  $\theta$ ],  $\theta$ }, { $\theta$ , 0, 2 Pi, Pi/40}];
  {{ $\sigma_1$ ,  $\theta_1$ }, { $\sigma_2$ ,  $\theta_2$ }} = principalStresses[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ];
  p1 = plot[Transpose[{pts[[All, 2]], pts[[All, 1, 1]]}], limit, gridLines, Red];

  coord1 = {Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ] Cos[ $\theta_1$ ], Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ] Sin[ $\theta_1$ ]};
  coord2 = {Abs[ $\sigma_2$ ] Cos[ $\theta_2$ ], Abs[ $\sigma_2$ ] Sin[ $\theta_2$ ]};

  p2 = Graphics[{
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[{ $\sigma_x$ , 0}]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_x$ ", 12]], { $\sigma_x$ , 0}, {0, 1.2}],
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[{0,  $\sigma_y$ }]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_y$ ", 12]], {0,  $\sigma_y$ }, {1.2, 0}],

    {PointSize[0.015], Point[coord1]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_1$ ", 12]], coord1, {-1.4, 0}],
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[coord2]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_2$ ", 12]], coord2, {-1.4, 0}],
    {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord1, {-coord1[[1]], -coord1[[2]]}]},
    {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord2, {-coord2[[1]], -coord2[[2]]}]}}
  ]
];

  { $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ } = maxAndMinShearStress[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ];
  p3 = plot[Transpose[{pts[[All, 2]], pts[[All, 1, 3]]}], limit, gridLines, Blue];

  coord1 = {Abs[ $\tau_1$ ] Cos[ $\theta_1$  + Pi/4], Abs[ $\tau_1$ ] Sin[ $\theta_1$  + Pi/4]};
  coord2 = {Abs[ $\tau_1$ ] Cos[ $\theta_2$  + Pi/4], Abs[ $\tau_1$ ] Sin[ $\theta_2$  + Pi/4]};

  p4 = Graphics[{
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[{ $\tau_{xy}$ , 0}]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\tau_{xy}$ ", 12]], { $\tau_{xy}$ , 0}, {0, 1.2}],

    {PointSize[0.015], Point[{0,  $\tau_{xy}$ }]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\tau_{yx}$ ", 12]], {0,  $\tau_{xy}$ }, {1.2, 0}],

    {PointSize[0.015], Point[coord1]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\tau_{max}$ ", 12]], coord1, {-1.4, 0}],

    {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord1, {-coord1[[1]], -coord1[[2]]}]},
    {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord2, {-coord2[[1]], -coord2[[2]]}]}}
  ]
];

  plotTitle = Style[Grid[{
    {"normal (red) and shear (blue) polar (stress vs. angle) trajectory", SpanFromLeft},
    TraditionalForm[Style[#] & /@ {" $\sigma_x$ ", " $\sigma_y$ ", " $\tau_{xy}$ ", " $\sigma_1$ ", " $\theta_1$ ", " $\sigma_2$ ", " $\theta_2$ ", " $\tau_{max}$ "},
  }],

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    {padIt1[ $\sigma_x$ , {4, 1}],
      padIt1[ $\sigma_y$ , {4, 1}],
      padIt1[ $\tau_{xy}$ , {4, 1}],
      padIt1[ $\sigma_1$ , {4, 1}],
      Row[{padIt1[ $\theta_{p1} * 180 / \text{Pi}$ , {4, 1}], Degree}],
      padIt1[ $\sigma_2$ , {4, 1}],
      Row[{padIt1[ $\theta_{p2} * 180 / \text{Pi}$ , {4, 1}], Degree}],
       $\pm$ padIt2[ $\tau_1$ , {4, 1}]
    }
  ], Spacings -> {0.4, 1.1}, Frame -> All, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thin]], 12];

Show[p1, p2, p3, p4, PlotLabel -> plotTitle]

];
(*-----*)
makeNormalStressPolarPlot[ $\sigma_x$ ?numeric,  $\sigma_y$ ?numeric,
   $\tau_{xy}$ ?numeric, limit?numericStrictPositive, gridLines?numericPositive] :=
Module[{pts,  $\theta$ ,  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\sigma_2$ ,  $\sigma_1\text{Abs}$ ,  $\sigma_2\text{Abs}$ ,  $\theta_{p1}$ ,  $\theta_{p2}$ , p1, p2, plotTitle, coord1, coord2},

  pts = Table[{rotationStress[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ,  $\theta$ ],  $\theta$ }, { $\theta$ , 0, 2 Pi, Pi/40}];
  {{ $\sigma_1$ ,  $\theta_{p1}$ }, { $\sigma_2$ ,  $\theta_{p2}$ }} = principalStresses[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ];

  p1 = plot[Transpose[{pts[[All, 2]], pts[[All, 1, 1]]}], limit, gridLines, Red];
  coord1 = {Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ] Cos[ $\theta_{p1}$ ], Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ] Sin[ $\theta_{p1}$ ]};
  coord2 = {Abs[ $\sigma_2$ ] Cos[ $\theta_{p2}$ ], Abs[ $\sigma_2$ ] Sin[ $\theta_{p2}$ ]};

  p2 = Graphics[{
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[{ $\sigma_x$ , 0}]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_x$ ", 12]], { $\sigma_x$ , 0}, {0, 1.2}],
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[{0,  $\sigma_y$ }]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_y$ ", 12]], {0,  $\sigma_y$ }, {1.2, 0}],

    {PointSize[0.015], Point[coord1]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_1$ ", 12]], coord1, {-1.4, 0}],
    {PointSize[0.015], Point[coord2]},
    Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_2$ ", 12]], coord2, {-1.4, 0}],
    {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord1, {-coord1[[1]], -coord1[[2]]}}]},
    {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord2, {-coord2[[1]], -coord2[[2]]}}]}
  ]
];

plotTitle = Grid[{
  {"normal stress polar (stress vs. angle) trajectory", SpanFromLeft},
  TraditionalForm[Style[#] & /@ {" $\sigma_x$ ", " $\sigma_y$ ", " $\tau_{xy}$ ", " $\sigma_1$ ", " $\theta_1$ ", " $\sigma_2$ ", " $\theta_2$ "},
  {padIt1[ $\sigma_x$ , {4, 1}],
    padIt1[ $\sigma_y$ , {4, 1}],
    padIt1[ $\tau_{xy}$ , {4, 1}],
    padIt1[ $\sigma_1$ , {4, 1}],
    Row[{padIt1[ $\theta_{p1} * 180 / \text{Pi}$ , {4, 1}], Degree}],
    padIt1[ $\sigma_2$ , {4, 1}],
    Row[{padIt1[ $\theta_{p2} * 180 / \text{Pi}$ , {4, 1}], Degree]}
  ]
}, Spacings -> {0.8, 1}, Frame -> All, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thin]];
Show[p1, p2, PlotLabel -> plotTitle]
];
(*-----*)
makeShearStressPolarPlot[ $\sigma_x$ ?numeric,  $\sigma_y$ ?numeric,
   $\tau_{xy}$ ?numeric, limit?numericStrictPositive, gridLines?numericPositive] :=
Module[{pts,  $\theta$ ,  $\sigma_1$ ,  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ ,  $\sigma_2$ ,  $\sigma_1\text{Abs}$ ,  $\sigma_2\text{Abs}$ ,  $\theta_{p1}$ ,  $\theta_{p2}$ , p1, p2, plotTitle, coord1, coord2},

  pts = Table[{rotationStress[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ,  $\theta$ ],  $\theta$ }, { $\theta$ , 0, 2 Pi, Pi/40}];
  {{ $\sigma_1$ ,  $\theta_{p1}$ }, { $\sigma_2$ ,  $\theta_{p2}$ }} = principalStresses[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ];
  { $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ } = maxAndMinShearStress[ $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$ ];

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p1 = plot[Transpose[{pts[[All, 2]], pts[[All, 1, 3]]}], limit, gridLines, Blue];

coord1 = {Abs[τ1] Cos[θp1 + Pi/4], Abs[τ1] Sin[θp1 + Pi/4]};
coord2 = {Abs[τ1] Cos[θp2 + Pi/4], Abs[τ1] Sin[θp2 + Pi/4]};

p2 = Graphics[{
  {PointSize[0.015], Point[{τxy, 0}]},
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style["τxy", 12]], {τxy, 0}, {0, 1.2}],

  {PointSize[0.015], Point[{0, τxy}]},
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style["τyx", 12]], {0, τxy}, {1.2, 0}],

  {PointSize[0.015], Point[coord1]},
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style["τmax", 12]], coord1, {-1.4, 0}],

  {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord1, {-coord1[[1]], -coord1[[2]]}}]},
  {Dashed, Thin, Line[{coord2, {-coord2[[1]], -coord2[[2]]}}]}
}
];

plotTitle = Grid[{
  {"shear stress polar (stress vs. angle) trajectory", SpanFromLeft},
  Flatten@{TraditionalForm[Style[#]] & /@ {"σx", "σy", "τxy", "τmax", "θmax"}, SpanFromLeft},
  {padIt1[σx, {4, 1}],
   padIt1[σy, {4, 1}],
   ±padIt2[τxy, {4, 1}],
   padIt1[τ1, {4, 1}],
   Row[{padIt1[(θp1 + Pi/4) * 180/Pi, {4, 1}],
        Degree, ",", padIt1[( $\theta p1 + \frac{3}{4} \text{Pi}$ ) * 180/Pi, {4, 1}], Degree}], SpanFromLeft}
}, Spacings -> {1, 1}, Frame -> All, FrameStyle -> Directive[Thin]];
Show[p1, p2, PlotLabel -> plotTitle]
];

(*-----*)
make2DStressDiagram[σx_?numeric, σy_?numeric, τxy_?numeric, θ_?numeric, annotate_?bool,
onPositiveSideOnly_?bool, limit_?numericStrictPositive, gridLines_?numericPositive,
{contentSizeW_?numericStrictPositive, contentSizeH_?numericStrictPositive}] := Module[
{σ1, σ2, σxx, σyy, τxyxy, r, σxxRightArrow, σxxLeftArrow, σyyTopArrow, σyyBottomArrow, τRightArrow,
τLeftArrow, τTopArrow, τBottomArrow, τ1, τ2, color, textSize = 11, colorShear, σxxRightArrowText,
σxxLeftArrowText, σyyTopArrowText, σyyBottomArrowText, τRightArrowText, τLeftArrowText,
τTopArrowText, τBottomArrowText, rotationMatrix, coordinates, from, to, rotatedAxisXText,
rotatedAxisYText, maxAbsoluteprincipalShearStress, thickness = Thick, eps = 10^-9, θp1, θp2},

rotationMatrix = RotationMatrix[-θ];
rotatedAxisXText = Text[Style["x", Italic, textSize], {0.3, 0}.rotationMatrix];
rotatedAxisYText = Text[Style["y", Italic, textSize], {0, 0.3}.rotationMatrix];

{{σ1, θp1}, {σ2, θp2}} = principalStresses[σx, σy, τxy];
{τ1, τ2} = maxAndMinShearStress[σx, σy, τxy];
maxAbsoluteprincipalShearStress = Max[Abs[{τ1, τ2}]];
{σxx, σyy, τxyxy} = rotationStress[σx, σy, τxy, θ];

If[Abs[σ1] > 0,
{σxx, σyy} = {σxx, σyy} / Abs[σ1] (*scale*)
];

If[maxAbsoluteprincipalShearStress > 0,
τxyxy = τxyxy / maxAbsoluteprincipalShearStress (*scale*)
];
color = Red;

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colorShear = Blue;
r = {White, EdgeForm[{Thin, Gray}], Rectangle[{-0.5, -0.5}, {0.5, 0.5}];

(*-----*)
If[ $\sigma_{xx} \geq 0$ ,
  from = {0.6, 0};
  to = {0.6 +  $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0};
  coordinates = {If[annotate, 0.78, 0.68] +  $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0}.rotationMatrix
  ,
  from = {0.6 + Abs@ $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0};
  to = {0.6, 0};
  coordinates = {If[annotate, 0.78, 0.68] + Abs@ $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0}.rotationMatrix
];

 $\sigma_{xx}$ RightArrowText = If[annotate,
  Text[Style[Column[{TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_x$ "]], padIt1[ $\sigma_{xx}$ *Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ], {3, 1}]}],
    Alignment → Center], textSize], coordinates, {0, 0}],
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_x$ ", textSize]], coordinates, {0, 0}]
];
 $\sigma_{xx}$ RightArrow = {thickness, Arrowheads[Medium], color, Arrow[{from, to}, 0]};

(*-----*)
If[ $\sigma_{xx} \geq 0$ ,
  from = {-0.6, 0};
  to = {-0.6 -  $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0};
  coordinates = {If[annotate, -0.78, -0.68] -  $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0}.rotationMatrix
  ,
  from = {-0.6 - Abs@ $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0};
  to = {-0.6, 0};
  coordinates = {If[annotate, -0.78, -0.68] - Abs@ $\sigma_{xx}$ , 0}.rotationMatrix
];

 $\sigma_{xx}$ LeftArrowText = If[annotate,
  Text[Style[Column[{TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_x$ "]], padIt1[ $\sigma_{xx}$ *Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ], {3, 1}]}],
    Alignment → Center], textSize], coordinates],
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_x$ ", textSize]], coordinates]
];
 $\sigma_{xx}$ LeftArrow = {thickness, Arrowheads[Medium], color, Arrow[{from, to}, 0]};

(*-----*)
If[ $\sigma_{yy} \geq 0$ ,
  from = {0, 0.6};
  to = {0, 0.6 +  $\sigma_{yy}$ };
  coordinates = {0, If[annotate, 0.75, 0.68] +  $\sigma_{yy}$ }.rotationMatrix
  ,
  from = {0, 0.6 + Abs@ $\sigma_{yy}$ };
  to = {0, 0.6};
  coordinates = {0, If[annotate, 0.75, 0.68] + Abs@ $\sigma_{yy}$ }.rotationMatrix
];

 $\sigma_{yy}$ TopArrowText = If[annotate,
  Text[Style[Column[{TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_y$ "]], padIt1[ $\sigma_{yy}$ *Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ], {3, 1}]}],
    Alignment → Center], textSize], coordinates],
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_y$ ", textSize]], coordinates]
];
 $\sigma_{yy}$ TopArrow = {thickness, Arrowheads[Medium], color, Arrow[{from, to}, 0]};

(*-----*)
If[ $\sigma_{yy} \geq 0$ ,
  from = {0, -0.6};
  to = {0, -0.6 -  $\sigma_{yy}$ };
  coordinates = {0, -0.75 -  $\sigma_{yy}$ }.rotationMatrix
  ,
  from = {0, -0.6 - Abs@ $\sigma_{yy}$ };

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to = {0, -0.6};
coordinates = {0, -0.75 - Abs@oyy}.rotationMatrix
];

oyyBottomArrowText = If[annotate,
  Text[Style[Column[{TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_y$ "], padIt1[oyy*Abs[ $\sigma_1$ ], {3, 1}]],
    Alignment -> Center], textSize], coordinates],
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\sigma_y$ ", textSize]], coordinates]
];
oyyBottomArrow = {thickness, Arrowheads[Medium], color, Arrow[{from, to}, 0]};

(*-----*)
If[ $\tau_{xyxy} \geq 0$ ,
  from = {0.6, 0.5 -  $\tau_{xyxy}$ };
  to = {0.6, 0.5};
  coordinates = {If[annotate, 0.8, 0.7], 0.45}.rotationMatrix
,
  from = {0.6, 0.5};
  to = {0.6, 0.5 - Abs@ $\tau_{xyxy}$ };
  coordinates = {If[annotate, 0.8, 0.7], 0.45}.rotationMatrix
];

 $\tau$ RightArrowText = If[annotate,
  Text[Style[Column[{TraditionalForm[Style[" $\tau_{xy}$ "], padIt1[
     $\tau_{xyxy} * \max$ AbsolutePrincipalShearStress, {3, 1}]], Alignment -> Center], textSize], coordinates]
,
  Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\tau_{xy}$ ", textSize]], coordinates]
];
 $\tau$ RightArrow = {thickness, Arrowheads[Medium], colorShear, Arrow[{from, to}, 0]};

(*-----*)
If[ $\tau_{xyxy} \geq 0$ ,
  from = {0.5 -  $\tau_{xyxy}$ , 0.6};
  to = {0.5, 0.6};
  coordinates = {0.5, 0.75}.rotationMatrix
,
  from = {0.5, 0.6};
  to = {0.5 - Abs@ $\tau_{xyxy}$ , 0.6};
  coordinates = {0.5, 0.75}.rotationMatrix
];

 $\tau$ TopArrowText = Text[TraditionalForm[Style[" $\tau_{yx}$ ", textSize]], coordinates];
 $\tau$ TopArrow = {thickness, Arrowheads[Medium], colorShear, Arrow[{from, to}, 0]};

 $\tau$ LeftArrow = {Arrowheads[Medium],
  If[ $\tau_{xyxy} \geq 0$ ,
    {
      thickness, colorShear, Arrow[{{-0.6, -0.5 +  $\tau_{xyxy}$ }, {-0.6, -0.5}}, 0]
    }
,
    {
      thickness, colorShear, Arrow[{{-0.6, -0.5}, {-0.6, -0.5 + Abs@ $\tau_{xyxy}$ }}, 0]
    }
];

 $\tau$ BottomArrow = {thickness,
  colorShear,
  Arrowheads[Medium],

  If[ $\tau_{xyxy} \geq 0$ ,
    Arrow[{{-0.5 +  $\tau_{xyxy}$ , -0.6}, {-0.5, -0.6}}, 0]
,
    Arrow[{{-0.5, -0.6}, {-0.5 + Abs@ $\tau_{xyxy}$ , -0.6}}, 0]
]

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};

from = -(limit/40)*1.9;
to = -from;

Graphics[
  {Rotate[r,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}],

  If[Abs@ $\sigma_{xx}$  > eps,
    {
      Rotate[ $\sigma_{xx}$ RightArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}],
       $\sigma_{xx}$ RightArrowText,
      If[onPositiveSideOnly, Sequence @@ {}, Rotate[ $\sigma_{xx}$ LeftArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}]]
    },
    Sequence @@ {}
  ],
  ,

  If[Abs@ $\sigma_{yy}$  > eps,
    {
      Rotate[ $\sigma_{yy}$ TopArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}],
       $\sigma_{yy}$ TopArrowText,
      If[onPositiveSideOnly, Sequence @@ {}, Rotate[ $\sigma_{yy}$ BottomArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}]]
    },
    Sequence @@ {}
  ],
  ,

  If[Abs@ $\tau_{xy}$  > eps,
    {
      Rotate[ $\tau$ RightArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}],
       $\tau$ RightArrowText,
      Rotate[ $\tau$ TopArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}],
      If[onPositiveSideOnly, Sequence @@ {},
        {
          Rotate[ $\tau$ LeftArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}],
          Rotate[ $\tau$ BottomArrow,  $\theta$ , {0, 0}]
        }
      ],
    },
    Sequence @@ {}
  ],
  ,
  {Gray, Thin, Dashed, Rotate[{Arrowheads[Small], Arrow[{{-0.25, 0}, {0.25, 0}]}],  $\theta$ , {0, 0}}],
  {Gray, Thin, Dashed, Rotate[{Arrowheads[Small], Arrow[{{0, -0.25}, {0, 0.25}]}],  $\theta$ , {0, 0}}],
  rotatedAxisXText,
  rotatedAxisYText,
  {PointSize[0.01], Point[{0, 0}]}
]
,
Axes → False,
PlotRange → {{from, to}, {from, to}},
ImageSize → {contentSizeW, contentSizeH},
ImagePadding → {{10, 10}, {10, 10}},
ImageMargins → 0,
AspectRatio → Automatic,
If[gridLines == 0, GridLines → None,
  {
    GridLines →
      {Range[from, to, (to - from)/(gridLines*20)], Range[from, to, (to - from)/(gridLines*20)]},
    GridLineStyle → Directive[Thickness[.001], LightGray]
  }
],
Frame → False

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]  
 }  
 ]

stresses at 0°

$\sigma_x$

$\sigma_y$

$\tau_{xy}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{x,y} \\ \tau_{x,y} & \sigma_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{padIt1}(14., \{3, 1\}) & \text{padIt1}(10., \{3, 1\}) \\ \text{padIt1}(10., \{3, 1\}) & \text{padIt1}(4., \{3, 1\}) \end{pmatrix}$$

select plot type

Mohr circle

annotate  display stresses on positive sides only

rotate to new angle

first principal plane

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma'_x & \tau'_{x,y} \\ \tau'_{x,y} & \sigma'_y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \text{padIt1}(1.89822863895299, \{3, 1\}) & \text{padIt1}(8.63509371897101, \{3, 1\}) \\ \text{padIt1}(8.63509371897101, \{3, 1\}) & \text{padIt1}(16.101771361047, \{3, 1\}) \end{pmatrix}$$

zoom

gridlines

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### Caption

This Demonstration generates Mohr's circles for plain stress. The input is stress values for  $\sigma_x$ ,  $\sigma_y$ ,  $\tau_{xy}$  at the  $x$  and  $y$  orthogonal faces oriented at zero angle. The Demonstration calculates a Mohr's circle and generates other plots to illustrate how stress changes at different orientations as the angle of the plane is changed using the slider. Planar stress is assumed, therefore stresses in the  $z$  direction are assumed to be zero.

## Thumbnail

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## Details

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In plane stress, components  $\sigma_z, \tau_{zx}, \tau_{zy}, \tau_{xz}, \tau_{yz}$  vanish and the 3D stress tensor  $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} & \tau_{xz} \\ \tau_{yx} & \sigma_y & \tau_{yz} \\ \tau_{zx} & \tau_{zy} & \sigma_z \end{pmatrix}$  reduces to  $\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_x & \tau_{xy} \\ \tau_{xy} & \sigma_y \end{pmatrix}$ . Assuming  $\sigma_x, \sigma_y,$

and  $\tau_{xy}$  are given at  $0^\circ$ , the stresses  $\sigma_{x'}, \sigma_{y'}, \tau_{x'y'}$  at a different angle  $\theta$  are found from

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{x'} \\ \sigma_{y'} \\ \tau_{x'y'} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y) + \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)\cos(2\theta) + \tau_{xy}\sin(2\theta) \\ \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x + \sigma_y) - \frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)\cos(2\theta) - \tau_{xy}\sin(2\theta) \\ -\frac{1}{2}(\sigma_x - \sigma_y)\sin(2\theta) + \tau_{xy}\cos(2\theta) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  at which the maximum and minimum normal principal stress  $\sigma_1$  occurs are given by  $\tan(2\theta_1) = \frac{2\tau_{xy}}{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}$  and

$\theta_2 = \theta_1 + \frac{\pi}{2}$ , respectively. The maximum and minimum normal principal stresses are given by  $\sigma_{1,2} = \frac{\sigma_x + \sigma_y}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sigma_x - \sigma_y}{2}\right)^2 + \tau_{xy}^2}$ , where  $\sigma_1$  is

taken as the larger of the two principal stresses in absolute terms. The maximum shear stress is at  $45^\circ$  from the principal plane and is given by  $\tau_{\max} = \pm(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)$ . At the principal planes the shear stress is always zero. Mohr's circle for plain stress can be viewed from the pulldown menu. You can view polar plots that show how the normal and shear stress change with angle. You can select the angle to view the stresses by using the slider or select specific planes using the pulldown menu. All units are assumed to be in SI.

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